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TAGS: CVIS UR CGEN SREF (FISHKIN, BORIS)

SUBJECT: SOVIET "REFUSENIK" TO PROTEST UNEMPLOYMENT

1. BORIS FISHKIN, FORMER EMPLOYEE OF SOVIET TRADE MINISTRY INSTITUTED WHO SAYS HE HAS BEEN OUT OF WORK FOR APPROX. TWO YEARS AS RESULT OF HIS APPLICATION TO EMIGRATE TO ISRAEL, TELEPHONED EMBASSY JAN. 6 REQUESTING ASSISTANCE IN PUBLICIZING HIS FORTHCOMING ATTEMPT TO PROSECUTE HIS FORMER EMPLOYER. FISHKIN SAID HE HAD INFORMED LOCAL CORRESPONDENT QUOTE MR. JAMES UNQUOTE (PRESUMABLY BARRY JAMES, PUI), BUT CORRESPONDENT HAD APPEARED EVASIVE AND UNLIKELY TO HELP. EMBASSY DID NOT PROMISE ANY SPECIFIC ASSISTANCE TO FISHKIN, WHO HAS IN PAST PHONED EMBASSY FREQUENTLY WITH SIMILAR REQUESTS.

2. FISHKIN SAID THAT HE HAD BROUGHT SUIT AGAINST NIKOLAI SEMYONOVICH ALEKSEYEV, RECTOR OF THE INSTITUTE OF SOVIET TRADE, COMPLAINING OF HIS FIRING FROM THE INSITITUTE APPROX. TWO YEARS AGO. HE SAID THE CASE WAS TO BE HEARD AT THE LENINGRADSKIY DISTRICT COURT, UL. KUUSINENA 2, JAN 7 AT 16:00, AND REQUESTED EMBASSY DRUM UP ATTENDANCE AND SUPPORT FOR HIS CAUSE. HE NAMED FOLLOWING U.S. CONTACTS

AS PERSONS WHO WOULD LEND ASSISTANCE IF INFORMED: WILLIAM BEVAN, AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCES, 1776 MASSACHUSETTS

AVE., WASHINGTON, D.C., TEL: 202-467-4400; AND MRS. RUTH LEVIN, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF CONCERNED SCIENTISTS, 505 PARK AVE.,

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3. MAIN PURPOSE OF LAWSUIT, ACCORDING TO FISHKING, IS TO OBTAIN EMPLOYMENT TO TIDE HIM OVER UNTIL, EVENTUALLY, HIS APPLICATION FOR EXIT PERMISSION IS GRANTED. HE APPEARED CONFIDENT OF EVENTUAL SUCCESS IN ATTEMPT TO EMIGRATE. HE ALSO SAID HIS SON, SLAVA FISHKIN, HAD BEEN VAGUELY PROMISED EXIT PERMISSION TO BE GRANTED IN NEAR FUTURE.

4. THE ABOVE IS REPORTED FOR WHATEVER ACTION DEPT. DEEMS APPROPRIATE.
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